

Safe Sport Presentation



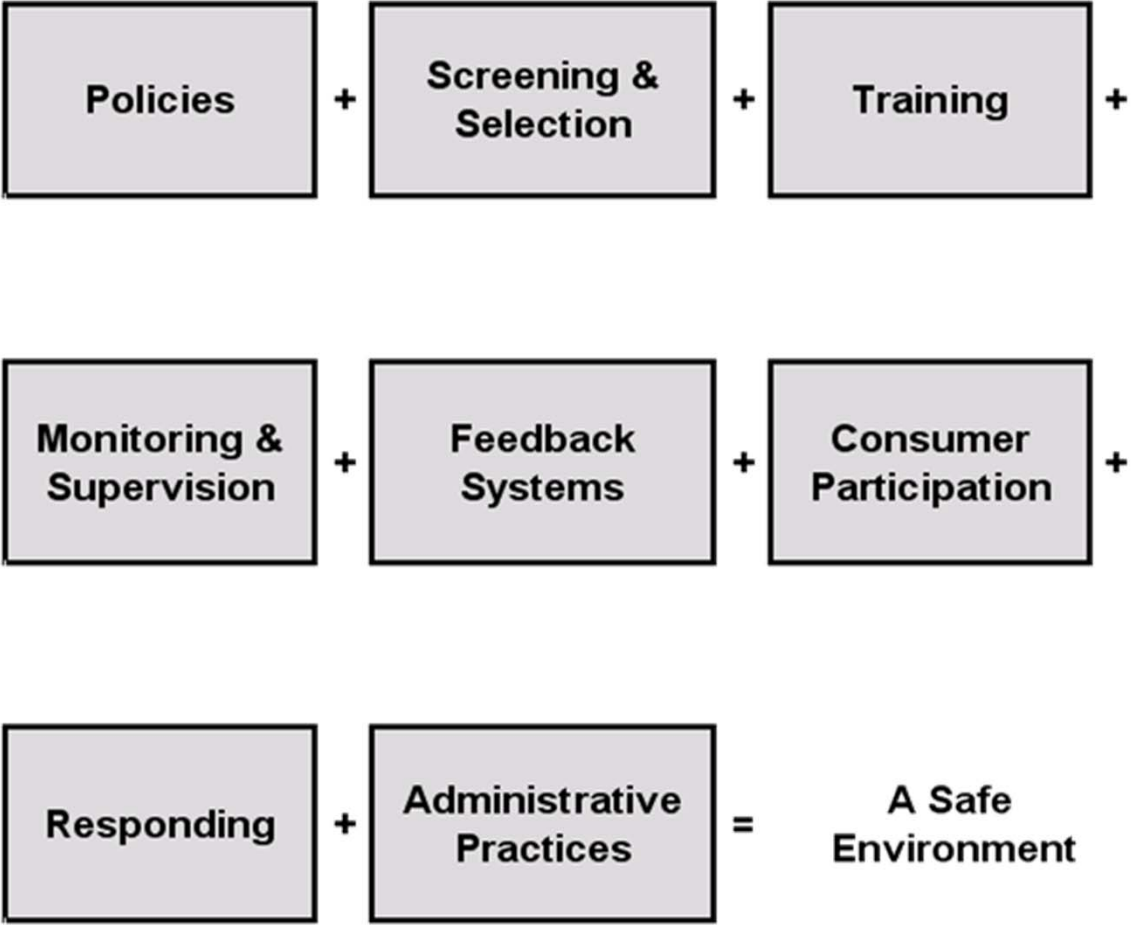
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About Praesidium

- Incorporated in 1992
- National leader in abuse risk management
- Over 4,000 clients internationally
- Train, assess, accredit, and perform investigations for organizations worldwide



Praesidium Safety Equation™



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Scope of the Problem

- 1 in 4 girls & 1 in 6 boys are sexually abused
- 10% of school children
- 300% increase in incidents of youth-to-youth abuse
- 80% of abuse goes unreported
- Increasing litigation
- Increasing state legislation



5 Steps to Protecting Your Athletes

1. Implement policies that define boundaries.
2. Implement procedures for managing high-risk activities.
3. Train everyone.
4. Implement responding procedures.
5. Involve all levels of leadership.



Implementing Policies and Procedures

1. Code of Conduct – *Article 304*
2. Athlete Protection Policies – *Article 305*
3. Best Practice Guidelines



High Risk Activities

- One-on-one situations
- Bathrooms/showering
- Free times/transition times
- Transportation and trips
- Overnights



Training

1. All non-athlete members.
2. Parents.
3. Athletes.



Responding to Boundary Violations

1. Interrupt.
2. Share your concerns with the head coach, team manager, or Club Board President.
3. Contact the Director of Safe Sport.
4. Report anonymously or to Praesidium.
5. For allegations of abuse, report to the proper authorities.



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Responding to Reports of Boundary Violations

1. Respond quickly.
2. Find out as much as you can about the situation.
3. Review your findings with Club management.
4. Based on what you find, take the necessary disciplinary action.
5. Document.
6. Decide who else needs to know about the situation.
7. Analyze what can be learned from the report.
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Key Components to an Effective Abuse Prevention Program

- Comprehensive
- Directed
- Ongoing
- Flexible
- Leadership driven



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